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Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR § 1.114 for the above-identified application.

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___ Enter the Amendment under 37 CFR § 1.116, previously filed

___ This application is entitled to Small Entity Status under 37 CFR §§ 1.9 and 1.27.

B. Enclosed

X An Amendment and Response for entry in the present application.

___ To render this RCE timely filed, enclosed is a Petition for one (1)-Month Extension of Time.

X A Certificate of Mailing by "Express Mail" certifying a filing date for the enclosed application by use of Express Mail Label No. EV 382941920 US.

___ An Associate Power of Attorney.

C. Payments

X Form PTO-2038 Credit Card submitting payment in the amount of \$806.00 is enclosed to cover the following fees:

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X - A duplicate copy of this letter is enclosed.

Please address all future correspondence in connection with the above-identified patent application to the attention of the undersigned.

Dated this 16th day of December 2003.

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